

## Quarterly e-Newsletter Professional Engineer (P.E.) Edition

## **Board Meeting Update**

The Texas Board of Professional Engineers Quarterly Board and Committee Meetings were held August 22-23, 2018. Highlights include the following:



#### **Recently Elected Board Officers**

Kyle Womack, P.E., Vice-Chair, Horseshoe Bay, TX Catherine Norwood, P.E., Secretary, Midland, TX

## **Disciplinary Actions**

All enforcement actions approved in the Board meeting are posted on the TBPE website. Enforcement actions are reported based on the date of the Board meeting at which the actions were taken.

http://engineers.texas.gov/disciplinary.htm

## **Board Meeting Recordings**

The regular quarterly Board meeting from August 23, 2018, has been posted on the agency YouTube Channel. Viewing these recordings qualifies for continuing education credit under the category of self-directed study. A maximum of five credit hours may be accrued for self-directed study.

https://engineers.texas.gov/vid/8232018.html



## October 2, 2018 TBPE Midland Regional Advisory Conference

The free one-day conference will be held at the Center for Energy and Economic Diversification (CEED) - UTPB. The program includes presentations about licensure for students, ethics presentations for Professional Engineers, a panel discussion with TBPE Board Members, and a luncheon.

Register today if you are interested. Limited spots are available.

https://engineers.texas.gov/midland/midland.html

## **Webinars and Outreach**

TBPE continues to offer ethics outreach presentations both in person and in a webinar format for the convenience of our licensees. The free webinars have been so well received that we are now adding additional events as needed. If you are interested in scheduling a live TBPE ethics presentation at your workplace, please refer to our outreach page.

http://engineers.texas.gov/outreach

#### **Ethics Webinars**

These quarterly webinars provide an up-to-date overview of agency activities, case studies, and a review of professional ethics topics. Ethics webinars are held approximately one month prior to each quarterly expiration date. Future webinars are scheduled for December 5-6, 2018. Webinars will be held at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. each day. Registration links will be posted 30 days prior to the webinars.

http://engineers.texas.gov/webinars.html



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## **NCEES Updates**

#### FE Exam Fee Reductions

Beginning January 1, 2018, NCEES reduced the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) and Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) exam registration fees by \$50 from \$225 to \$175. For more information on the FE exam.

#### http://ncees.org/cbt

NCEES Discontinuing PE Software Engineering Exam

The exam will be discontinued after the April 2019 exam administration. Since the original offering in 2013, the exam has been administered five times, with a total population of 81 candidates.

#### https://ncees.org/ncees-discontinuing-pe-software-engineering-exam/

PE Environmental Exam Moving to Computer-Based Testing

The PE Environmental exam will transition from pencil-and-paper to computer-based testing (CBT) in April 2019. At that time, the PE Environmental Reference Handbook will become the only resource material you may use during the CBT exam. Reviewing it before exam day will help you become familiar with reference information provided. You will not be allowed to bring a copy of the Handbook into the exam room. Instead, the CBT exam will include a PDF version of the Handbook.

## https://ncees.org/engineering/pe/environmental/

PE Nuclear Exam is now a Single-Day Computer-Based Test The next test date is October 19, 2018.

https://ncees.org/engineering/pe/nuclear/

## **TBPE Job Openings**

TBPE has an opening for an Investigator in our Compliance & Enforcement division and a Customer Service Representative in our Licensing Division. Refer to the link below for job descriptions and instructions to apply.



http://engineers.texas.gov/jobs

# Put Dream Big In Every School in America

Give \$5 to place a DVD toolkit in the school of your choice. The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) set a goal of placing a copy of Dream Big: Engineering Our World into every public school in the United States! Distribution of Dream Big toolkits will begin this fall and includes: a DVD of the full-length feature film in English, French, Spanish and closed captioned; the complete teacher's guide; all companion videos; and downloadable files for classroom



use. Also, this inspirational film is now available on Netflix

http://www.dreambigfilm.com

## How are we doing?

Give us feedback on how we are doing by filling out our customer service survey or contact us for a paper survey. We want to hear your suggestions on how we can improve agency operations and delivery of services.



Survey - http://engineers.texas.gov/feedback

Contact the Staff

-http://engineers.texas.gov/staff\_contact.htm

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